

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize a distinguished couple that exemplifies the ideals of Asian Pacific Islander American, APIA, Month, Mr. Truc Ho and his wife, Ms. Dieu Quyen. Truc Ho and Dieu Quyen have made tremendous contributions to Orange County, in particular to the Vietnamese American community.

As a refugee, Truc Ho escaped communist Vietnam, arriving to the United States in 1981. He is a talented songwriter, composer, and a successful producer. His music and humanitarian efforts have touched the hearts of the Vietnamese communities around the world. Truc is also the CEO of Saigon Broadcasting TV Network, the first 24 hour Vietnamese language channel.

Ms. Dieu Quyen Nguyen immigrated to the United States in 1978 at the age of 14. She is a graduate from Cal State Long Beach and is a teacher at Pacifica High School in Garden Grove. Dieu is a dedicated educator and community activist. She serves as a board member for the Council of Vietnamese Language Schools, and is a television news anchor for SBTN-TV and ASIA Entertainment.

Together this dynamic duo is known for their philanthropic contributions in helping human trafficking victims; Vietnamese refugees; raising awareness on human rights violations in Vietnam; and preserving the Vietnamese language and culture.

Please join me in recognizing these outstanding individuals that have enriched the culture in my district, in Orange County.